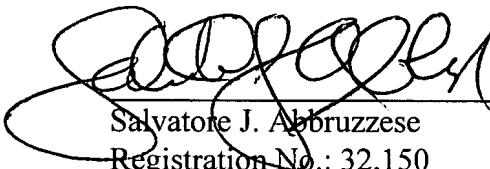


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The application is now deemed to be in condition for Examination. Favorable action  
thereon is respectfully submitted.

Any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or this application should be  
directed to Applicants' undersigned representative who can be reached at the address and  
telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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